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## UNITED STATES PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE

The Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

DATE: April 18, 1996

OUR CASE NO: 1300-112

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application (including specification, claims and declaration) of:

Inventor: Scott Haugh

For: PET BED WITH REMOVABLE BOLSTER

## A. Enclosed are:

Documents: Specification Claims Abstract Declaration  
No. of Pages: 5 2 1 2 2 sheets of drawing(s).  Formal  Informal An assignment of the invention to Flexi-Mat Corporation A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application. Claim for priority under 35USC119. Associate Power of Attorney. Citation of Prior Art. Preliminary Amendment. Translation with Translator's Declaration. Check No. 27849 in the amount of \$ 415.00 dated 4/18/96 is  
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Mr. Lane  
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 c/o Commissioner of Patents  
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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/634,374  
 Inventor: Scott Haugh  
 For: PET BED WITH REMOVABLE BOLSTER  
 Our File No. 1300-112

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Dear Mr. Lane:

Per your conversation this afternoon with my secretary, Robbi Shew, enclosed please find a copy of the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312 to correct the inventor's name, which includes the Declaration and Power of Attorney and Application Transmittal sheet, showing the inventor's name as "Scott Haugh". The United States Patent and Trademark Office documents incorrectly show the inventor's name as "Haugh Scott".

Please have the inventor's name corrected to "Scott Haugh" before the patent issues on June 16, 1998. Feel free to call if you need additional document or information.

Sincerely,

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Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. Submitted herewith is check No. \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of the extension. If a check is lost, or otherwise does not accompany this Petition, please charge my deposit account number 12-0064 in the appropriate amount to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 on:

Date: January 28, 1998

Signature: Kathy Shew

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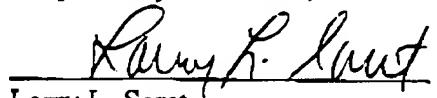
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## AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.312

This Amendment is submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312. The Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated November 25, 1997 indicates that the name of the inventor was recorded by the United States Patent and Trademark Office as "Haugh Scott", mistakenly reversing the inventor's surname and given name. The inventor's name should read: --Scott Haugh-- as originally set forth on the original application. Copies of the Transmittal document and the Declaration and Power of Attorney are attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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# Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

## English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

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is attached hereto.

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_

Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_

(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

### Prior Foreign Application(s)

| Name _____ |           |                        | Priority Claimed  |
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| (Number)   | (Country) | (Day/Month/Year Filed) |   |
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

None

(Application Serial No.)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Charles A. Laff (19787); J. Warren Whitesel (16830); Robert F.J. Conte (20354); Larry L. Saret (27674); Martin L. Stern (26911); Bernard L. Kleinke (22123); Louis Altman (19373); Barry W. Suffrin (27398); Marshall W. Sucker (19962); Jennifer A. Dunner (33625); Neil R. Ormos (35309); Richard P. Gilly (37630); Kevin C. Trock (37745); and Jack R. Halvorsen (18394).

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